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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.

TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), before the mailing date of an Official Action, after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 are Office Actions cited in related U.S. Patent Application Nos. 09/337,675, dated 02/18/2010, 10/697,703, dated 07/09/2009, 10/667,470, dated 05/19/2009, 11/650,412, dated 05/12/2009, 11/898,274, dated 05/05/2009, and 10/697,716, dated 04/15/2009. The references cited by the Examiners in these Office Actions are listed on the PTO/SB/08 unless they were already cited in the present application.

Also listed is a Notice of Reasons for Rejections from related Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-565446, dated January 20, 2010, and the references that were cited in that document. Please note that English language and/or U.S. counterparts have been provided for the non-English language Japanese references listed in the Notice of Reasons for Rejections.

Also listed is a Canadian Office Action cited in related Canadian Patent Application No. 2,488,499, dated February 8, 2010. Please note that D1 is not listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 because the English equivalent, i.e., WO 00/18374 was already cited in the present application.

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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